

RELEASE NOTES

N-FOCUS Interim Release

APRIL 10, 2006

An interim release of the N-FOCUS system is being implemented on April 10, 2006. Interim Releases are made between scheduled major releases. The last N-FOCUS Major Release was March 13, 2006. The next N-FOCUS Major Release is scheduled for July 2006. This document provides information explaining new functionality, enhancements and problem resolutions effective with this release. The Release Notes is divided into four main sections:

- ♦ **General Interest and Mainframe:** All N-FOCUS users should read this section.
- ♦ **Protection and Safety Programs:** N-FOCUS users with responsibility for Child Protective or Adult Protective Services should read this section. It will be noted when the information is specific to only one of these areas.
- ♦ **Developmental Disabilities Programs:** N-FOCUS users who work directly with DD programs and those who work with the related Medicaid cases should read this section. Note: this section will only appear if there are enhancements, tips, or fixes specific to DD programs.
- ♦ **Expert System:** N-FOCUS users responsible for case entry for AABD/MED, ADC/MED, FSP, FW, IL, MED, and Retro MED should read this section.

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MAINFRAME AND GENERAL INTEREST

ALERTS

NEW HIRE ALERT DISPLAY (FIX)

As of April 19, 2006, the problems with the New Hire Alert will be fixed. The alert will not create if the hire date is older than 30 days and will only create once even if the employer reports the same information multiple times

AUTOMATED MASS CHANGE

AUTOMATED MASS CHANGE OCTOBER 2006 PREPARATION (TIP)

Beginning with the October 2006 FSP mass change, N-FOCUS will automatically process budgets for mass changes. More information will follow about this functionality, but as you are processing cases there are some steps you can take to prepare for the change.

- Close income instead of excluding it each month. Leaving the income active will make the calculate income window mandatory and prevent automated mass change from authorizing the budget. If child support is assigned to the State, check the "Child/Spousal Support Assigned" checkbox instead of using "Exclude" from the drop-down list."
- Review overridden budgets. The automated mass change program will not process a case if the last budget was overridden.
- Add nursing home representative roles as appropriate. If the representative role is not added, the nursing home will not receive a copy of the notice when the COLA Mass Changes are processed for the month of January 2007.
- Assign a worker to all Mainframe and Expert System cases.
- Enter date of birth, sex, and race for all persons in the master case.
- Make sure a budget has been run on each Expert System program case since July 2004.

PROTECTION AND SAFETY

CPS SPECIFIC TOPICS

LEGAL ACTION

ERROR MESSAGE SEARCHING LEGAL ACTION BY DOCKET AND PAGE (FIX)

After the March 13, 2006 major release, when selecting the Legal Action button, some users received the following error, "Search criteria is too broad. Please limit your search further." The only option was to OK this error message and complete your search. If searching by docket and page, it was possible that not all the legal actions were displaying on the List Legal Action window. This has been corrected. You should no longer receive the error message and all of the Legal Actions should be displayed when searching by docket and page.

N-Focus - Search Legal Action

Program Case

Master Case ID 58 Program CFS

Legal Action

Name [NONE]

Hearing Type [NONE]

Petition Type [NONE]

Results [NONE]

Docket Number [NONE] Page [] ☐ Court Report

Search Clear Cancel Help

ORGANIZATION

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TYPE ADDED TO BACKGROUND CHECK (FIX)

The ability to document Background Checks for Organization Related Persons was added to the N-FOCUS System with the last major release in March 2006. At that time, "Local Law Enforcement" was not included in the Type list.

The Local Law Enforcement type has now been added to the Type list.

Please refer to the March 13, 2006 major release notes for specifics on how to use this new functionality.

The screenshot shows the 'N-FOCUS - Detail Background Check' application window. It has a menu bar with 'File' and 'Help'. Below the menu bar are several icons. The main content area is divided into three sections: 'Organization', 'Org Related Person', and 'Background Checks'. The 'Organization' section contains a text field with 'AIKMAN, TROY' and an 'ADD' button. The 'Org Related Person' section contains a table with columns 'Last', 'First', and 'Birth Date'. The table has one row with 'AIKMAN', 'TROY', and '09-29-1952'. The 'Background Checks' section contains a 'Type' dropdown menu with 'Local Law Enforcement' selected, a 'Date' text field, and a 'Results' section with a list of items: 'Sex Offender Registry', 'CPS - Central Register', 'APS - Central Register', and 'Local Law Enforcement'. The 'Local Law Enforcement' item is highlighted.

| Last | First | Birth Date |
|--------|-------|------------|
| AIKMAN | TROY | 09-29-1952 |

| Type | Date |
|-----------------------|------|
| Local Law Enforcement | |

| Results |
|------------------------|
| Sex Offender Registry |
| CPS - Central Register |
| APS - Central Register |
| Local Law Enforcement |

EXPERT SYSTEM

ERROR

AION ERROR MESSAGE PROCEDURES (TIP)

Please contact N-FOCUS Production Support whenever you receive the following Aion Business Rules error message. Leave the error message on your screen. There is important information that N-FOCUS staff obtain from the error message. After receiving this error, your case will be locked and N-FOCUS Production Support will have to unlock the case.

Do **not** select the Debug or Send Error Report buttons.

Reminder: N-FOCUS Production Support telephone numbers are: 888-281-6629 (toll-free statewide) or 471-9698 (local in Lincoln).

